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"AN ACT CONCERNING CONNECTICUT'S MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this
4 section, "advanced industry sector certificates program" means (1) a
5 program pursuant to which a postsecondary student may take courses
6 toward a certificate in an emerging sector, including, but not limited
7 to, an industry-recognized credential in green energy, healthcare,
8 transportation or construction, at a regional community-technical
9 college for two days per week while simultaneously learning such
10 industry's trade from an employer as an employee in a related
11 occupational field for the remaining three days per week, (2) but shall
12 not include a program pursuant to which such student may take
13 courses toward a certificate in the manufacturing industry.

14 (b) Not later than July 1, 2015, the Board of Regents for Higher

15 Education shall develop a plan for establishing and implementing
16 advanced industry sector certificates programs to serve adult learners
17 who are pursuing a career in an industry related to an emerging sector.
18 Students shall complete such program in not more than five
19 consecutive semesters and earn an industry-recognized credential
20 upon such completion.

21 (c) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall (1) establish
22 eligibility requirements for students of an advanced industry sector
23 certificates program implemented pursuant to subsection (b) of this
24 section, and (2) ensure that all educators utilizing such programming
25 have the necessary professional certification or comparable teaching
26 experience, as determined by said board.

27 (d) A student who successfully completes an advanced industry
28 sector certificates program implemented pursuant to subsection (b) of
29 this section shall earn an industry-recognized credential, as
30 determined by the Board of Regents for Higher Education, in the
31 relevant emerging sector of the local labor market.

32 (e) Not later than January 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, the Board
33 of Regents for Higher Education shall report, in accordance with the
34 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
35 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
36 relating to higher education and employment advancement on the
37 collection of data capturing student performance outcomes, including,
38 but not limited to:

39 (1) The number of students who are enrolled in such advanced
40 industry sector certificates program, the number of students who
41 completed such program, the number of students who dropped out of
42 such program, the reasons for which such students dropped out and
43 aggregate data concerning the students' age, race, gender, town of
44 residence and number of dependents living in the household at the
45 time of enrollment, provided the disclosure of such data does not
46 result in the disclosure of personally identifiable information about a

47 student without such student's consent;

48 (2) Each employer who is teaching a student enrolled in such
49 program a trade that is related to the certificate such student is
50 pursuing;

51 (3) The occupational field of each employer identified pursuant to
52 subdivision (2) of this subsection; and

53 (4) The number of students who obtain a job upon completion of
54 such program in the subject area of the certificate such students earned
55 through participation in such program."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section